

Het Binnenhuys presents "Believe"

Décor boutique invites 4 local artists's to present their latest



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This weekend, the premier design store in Aruba, Het Binnenhuys, presented 4 local artists' works in mixed media.

Anthony Beaujon, an autodidact paints bright vivid scenes on canvas, and is mainly inspired by color pencils and cartoon characters.

Carole Habibe, another autodidact, works with mixed media and creates fabulous locally inspired objects. Her work ranges from paintings, handmade quilts and other objects such as decorated calabas and lamps made out of palm tree leaves. Carole likes to work with natural materials and bright colors that draw the viewer to her art, rather than to the artist. Presented now at Het Binnenhuys are her large, one of a kind crosses that are a

must-see!

Elisa Lejuez is very well known both in Aruba and Curacao, as well as the rest of the Dutch Antilles. Her art is innovative and provoking and she manages to redefine contemporary art. Kitchen Blessings, her previous collection displayed at Het Binnenhuys, was a huge success when it was presented for the first time ever in Aruba. Elisa has provided extensive collections in her many solo and group exhibitions, and her works can be seen in many offices and private homes in the Caribbean. The present exhibition is a new dimension in her work. Elisa uses patterns and various art text and pictures in her paintings, always a mix of many different types of art and textile prints.

Mo Mohammed is an all-around artist, musician, and traveler. This



high-energy person is almost 65 years old, and he and his sons work together on all kinds of projects nonstop to exercise his creativity as much as possible. He is very hopeful for the future of 2009!

Het Binnenhuys is a design store, but also an art gallery, with new art and artists being presented on a monthly basis. The building it was housed in is a former mansion restored to its luster, with the original stained glass windows and antique tiling in "True Island Class".

Owner Karin Martens loves to participate in the local art scene – always supporting and stimulating the many artists. Het Binnenhuys carries paintings, all kinds of tantalizing designs, unique glassware and dinnerware, all kinds of decorative objects, statues, gifts, furniture and jewelry.

This unique boutique is open Tuesdays through Saturdays from 10 to 5, and is located at Avenida Milio Croes 26 in Dakota, Oranjestad, up the street from Flora Market and Price Smart, and right across from Van Dorp bookstore. They can be reached by calling + (297) 582-3374 or by writing: info@hetbinnenhuysaruba.com Appointments can be made by calling + (297) 734-9166. Be sure to check them out, or go to: www.hetbinnenhuysaruba.com.

